Llew Behavior Reported in Olin Library
By LAUREN TOOLE
NEWS EDITOR

Last Tuesday, Oct. 23 around 10:30 p.m., two students working in Olin Library witnessed a man acting in a sexually inappropriate manner and alerted library staff, who called Campus Safety. Three officers arrived within two to three minutes after the call was placed and began floor-by-floor checks of the building. They then expanded the search to the entirety of campus, but were unable to locate the individual.

“I’m thinking in that time frame, the person went out to the parking lot, got in [his] car and left,” said Officer Greg von Freymann, who handled the call.

“By the time we got the call and were dispatched, it was probably 8-10 minutes, which … is way too long. I’m sure the person was long gone by the time we got there.”

One of the students who reported the incident was working in a cubicle area on the third floor when she noticed an older man sitting in a chair in between two rows of cubicles.

“He had probably been there for about half an hour, but I really didn’t pay attention to him. I was working,” she said. “When I turned around to go renew my computer, I saw out of the corner of my eye that his pants were down and his hands [were] on his genitals.”

She went downstairs and called Campus Safety with the library manager. “By the time I came back, he had left,” she said.

“I think the person … walked out the door and to the parking lot,” von Freymann said. “We had no directions, no description of any vehicle. We were very limited in what we had.”

The individual was described as a Caucasian male in his mid-40s, approximately 5’10” with a slender build and scruffy beard. Safety believes this could be an individual the College has dealt with in the past and against whom they have a trespass letter.
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Safety has had numerous meetings since the incident in Olin to determine how they can further their efforts to catch not only this individual but also others, like the man reported at the KAC.

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At the KAC in particular, von Freymann said that while it may be the polite thing to do, students should refrain from holding the side door of the facility open for people behind them. The door has restricted access for authorized personnel. Safety believes that the intruder reported at the KAC may have been let in by a student.

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Student Council

Sunday, October 28

• The Campus Senate campaign to raise awareness of the smoking policy will start soon. Senate plans to use a student survey to decide on two non-residential smoking areas.

• The Academic Affairs Committee is starting a campaign to rewrite Academic infractions Board cases, especially during midterm and final times. The Committee helped the Registrar’s Office with their web design and discussed printer fees. The possibility of charging students to print or including the cost in tuition is scheduled to be decided upon within the next two years.

• The Business and Finance Committee (BFC) met with the Collegian. The BFC also approved a total of $5,882.53 for the Cornerstones, the Gospel Choir, the Ballroom Dance Club, the Outdoors Club, Food on the Hill, the Horn Gallery, Model United Nations and the International Students at Kenyon’s Columbus International Festival and Kenyon Student Athletes were referred to Fun Funds for funding.

• Campus Safety has made a change to lighting in Olin/Chalmers Library.

• The Housing and Dining Committee will review theme housing this week and share their findings.

• The Sophomore Class Committee worked on the promotion of Sophomore Day.

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 Correction: In the story “Mount Vernon Voters Decide on School Levy,” (Oct. 25, 2012) the Collegian incorrectly stated how much the proposed operating levy would raise each year. The levy will raise $2.5 million each year for the next five years. The Collegian regrets the error.
Congressional Candidates Present Differing Platforms

By LYDIA GELLER
STAFF WRITER

Tuesday's congressional de-
bate between Congressman Bob
Gibbs and challenger Joyce
Healy-Abrams (D) in Rose
Hall displayed in microcosm
the two philosophies of governance
that are dominant in this poli-
cultural discourse in the last few
weeks. The two candidates for Ohio's 7th Congressional
District presented competing visions for
the way society should be treated as
stalwart, foreign policy reform and
foreign policy in the debate, which was
hosted by Kenyon's Center for the
Study of American Democracy
(CSAD).

Gibbs and Healy-Abrams
responded to questions from a three-person panel that con-
sisted of CSAD's Director Tom
Karako, Washington Bureau
Chief for The Columbus Dis-
patch Jack Terry and Aggregate
Editor of The Mount Vernon
News Samantha Sables. The event
was well attended, with a crowd
of approximately 300 people.

From the start of the debate, it was obvious both candidates
wanted to stress their small busi-
ness experience. Gibbs, who
co-founded Hollowed Farms and led the Ohio Farm Bureau
Federation, cited that combined
experience as a launching point for his political career.

Healy-Abrams touted her experience in the private sector
— she ran a small business for 10 years — and told the audience,
"I'm not a career politician, I'm a businesswoman.

Gibbs opened by saying that "We're on the wrong path. We're
on the wrong path. This can't be the new normal.

Healy-Abrams echoed Gibbs' charge
that Congress is broken, adding that Congress"is barren of ideas that contribute to a bipartisan effort to balance the federal budget." I am the only true fiscal conser-

The College hosted the congressional debate between challenger Joyce Healy-Abrams (D) and Congressman Bob Gibbs (R).

Another social issue also came
capital gain reform and foreign
policy, saying recycling the
water was imperative.

In response, Gibbs cited a bill he co-sponsored in the Ohio legislature to reduce
water usage. "We have to be very,
very careful with the growth of this
industry," Healy-Abrams said. She stressed the impor-
tant of state oversight of drilling
and also expressed worries about the large
amounts of water needed to re-
lease underground gas as part of
drilling or "fracking" —
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In contrast, Gibbs said the
bailout was mismanaged and
that the Obama administration
should have allowed the automo-
obile industry to enter reorganiza-
tion bankruptcy and then evalua-
ted their condition afterward.

When the congressman fin-
ished speaking, Healy-Abrams
jumped in and asked, "Is that
what we should have done to
the banks and financial institu-
tions as well?" Gibbs, unsure of
his response, remained silent, while the audi-
ence laughed at the awkward
moment.

During their concluding
statements, Healy-Abrams and
Gibbs stressed the importance
of the budget cycle, the differ-
ences between their philoso-
phies of governance and the
multiplier plans they each had
to fix the economy. "We have two very different visions," Healy-Abrams said. That much,
at least, was clear to everyone
watching the debate.

Committee Considers Charging Students for Printing

After four years, the Curricular Policy Committee will
resume discussions on the cost of printing.

By ROSALYN AQUILA
STAFF WRITER

Following an increase in the number of pages printed by
the student body in the past two
years, the Curricular Policy
Committee (CPC) is consider-
ing making changes to the
printing system at Kenyon, in-
cluding charging students for printing.

The CPC first discussed this issue four years ago, accord-
ing to Vice President of Library
Information and Instructional Resources Ron Griggs. At
that time, members investigated several potential reasons
behind the rise in pages. "One of
the studies that came out was
that printing was related to
electronic resources," Griggs
said. "It was also related to text-
book costs because some fac-
ulty... [were] concerned about very high textbook costs [and]
were assigning online resources which were free, but then
students would print them. So
in a sense they were moving the
costs of the textbook from the
student's pocket to LBLIS's
pocket."

Likewise, Griggs said the Committee also recognized
some classes required more
printing than others. In a cre-
ative writing seminar, for exam-
ple, students must be copying
their work for everyone in
order to get a range of feedback.
"So that means that the stu-
dent who takes creative writing
prints a lot more than a student
who takes a history class or a bi-
cology class," Griggs said.

Ultimately, four years ago, the CPC chose not to charge
students for printing. "We wanted to see what was go-
ing to happen with textbooks, what was going to happen with
online resources because... this
was 2008," Griggs said.

Instead, the Committee made
to the printing committee
through the CPC, and the
Committee then discussed how
the market the market has
changed.

Besides studying textbook
costs and online resources again,
the Committee will also look at
any new aspects of the issue,
specifically tablets and e-reader
use among students. "Maybe
10 years from now, we won't worry about [printing] because everybody will be per-
fected happy to read on screen-
devices," Griggs said. "Today,
I don't know."

Although charging for printing may be a solution to
the changing market, Griggs
depends on a careful plan of how
much students should pay. "That's a concern to
us," Griggs said. "We wanted to open this question back up
to the Curricular Policy Com-
mittee. Hey, after four years,
here's what we know: We felt
that it's time to take another
look at this because the market
has changed."
Surveyors Assess Below Middle Path

By LILI MARTINEZ

As part of the Mid-

gle Path restoration proj-

ect, which will continue through the year, surveyors were on campus last month determining the precise loc-

ations of the steam, electric-

al, water, gas and data lines that run under Middle Path. The surveyors arrived three weeks ago and assessed most of the south half of Middle Path, according to Grounds Supervisor Steve Vaden.

“We’ve still got to go on to Bexley Hall … so they’re doing the whole thing, and that’s a long way to go when you’re surveying,” Vaden said.

And how do the surveyors do this? By using an “antiquated” instrument and a “spread sheet” — the surveyors raced down and replaced the material that makes up the Middle Path easier, Vaden said.

“When we start the process of digging … they’ll know ahead of time where the lines are located.

And those areas, instead of using a piece of equipment, they may have to hand-dig it, Vaden said.

Excavation two weeks ago around the Gates of HEl makes it all a part of the project. Vaden said they were digging down in an at-

tempt to find the bottom of each stone, called the “frost line,” to keep us to better track of how we’ve done.”

Our idea is to build on the strength that has already been established here for adults writers and to look at a program … which focuses on helping adults become better writers in their professional fields.

Sarah Kahrl, Director of the Kenyon Institute and Vice President for College Relations

Kenyon Institute Offers Summer Programming for Adults

The Institute will provide three workshops on writing in professional fields, a class for high school teachers and seminars.

The Conference will also consider another playwriting initiative. “It certainly is a way of reinforcing what Kenyon is about and providing an opportunity to learn about theater companies,” Kahrl said.

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it, according to Kahrl.

If all goes well, the Institute will likely add other disciplines to its platform. “What was appealing to Kenyon and to me in developing this program was creating a central idea that could flow,” Kahrl said.

“Terry is appealing to Kenyon and to middle Path broader, and Terry has a resounding success in our first in Kenyon and we hope the success of this program is creating a central idea that could flow,” Kahrl said.

In the coming years, Kahrl is already researching a workshop on new media writing, includ-
ing interacting with “Twitter and other social media platforms. The program may also welcome new school students, though Kahrl recognizes the different demands in housing and programming for middle Path adult writers to Kenyon because frankly they are the easiest popula-
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I wasn’t supposed to be in Australia. My anthropology major initially led me to the Kenyon-Honduras program, which, as most know, fell through last year at the last minute due to violence in the country. The sudden alteration to my junior year has been, as trite as it sounds, life changing.

My program is run by the World Learning Institute, which means I am not enrolled at an Australian university. Instead, I am part of a program called Australia: Sustainability and Environmental Action in SIT, the School of International Training. I have never taken an environmental studies class at Kenyon, but the subject has always been one of my passions. Not only have I experienced intensive learning about an entirely new subject this semester, but in the first six weeks I traveled from Brisbane, to the World Learning Institute in Canberra, to Sydney and back to Byron Bay. Needless to say, I’ve gotten used to living out of a suitcase.

Because I’m not enrolled in an Australian college or university, my experience in the country has been one of cultural immersion in a variety of communities. I’ve stayed in beachfront apartments with the other 18 students in my program, in cabins, in hostels and tents, and in a family’s home on my own. I’ve gone out with Australians staying at hostels, gone to a family reunion with my homestay family and interacted with members of community gardens and permaculture farms in small towns like Mullumbimby and Nimbin. Because of these interactions, I feel as if I’ve gotten a taste of the real Australia — at least the small bit I’ve seen — rather than a college-bubble Australia.

I’ve taken away innumerable messages from my program so far, but the concept of sustainability is undeniably the most powerful. My classmates and I were challenged with the task of creating a definition for the word. After about a half hour of discussion, we settled on: “A personal and systematic approach to improving and maintaining the quality of life for the future of our one planet.” This statement may seem broad, but that’s how sustainability should be — every aspect of our lives is affected by how we treat our planet. That is why I’ve been inspired to make changes in my own life and encourage others to make them as well.

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By CATHERINE WEITZEL

Features CONTRIBUTOR

COURTESY OF CATHERINE WEITZEL

Catherine Weitzel ’14 poses in front of the Sydney Harbour Bridge in Australia, where she is spending the semester studying Australian Sustainability and Environmental Action.
Getting Muddy: BFEC Hosts Adventure Race Series

By CELIA CULLOM

Once a year, Emily Heithaus, coordinator for lifetime fitness and physical education, collaborates with husband David Heithaus, the land and facility manager of the Brown Family Environmental Center (BFEC), to turn the BFEC’s network of trails into the Mudman Triple. This series of three races challenges even the most experiencedrunners, incorporating turns and angles that can’t be found anywhere else in the area, like mud pits and night runs. This year, the races were held on October 28.

In 2007, before they married, David Heithaus contacted Emily about creating an event that would get people to use the trails.

“The original plan was just to do one trail race, but we started to think about it and said, ‘You know, there are trail races every-where. Why don’t we make it weird, why don’t we do something off the wall with it?’” Emily Heithaus said. “We came up with the Mudman Triple idea. Each race has its own particular quirkiness to it.”

The first race, the five-kilo-meter super steeplechase, incorporates obstacles such as straw bales, tangles of ropes and the Gauntlet. “[The Gauntlet] is 75 meters long and runners do it twice during the race,” Emily Heithaus said. “There are pits, big piles of dirt, rocks, logs, all sorts of things to climb over and jump under. That part is new every year, and it also includes a stream crossing.”

The last race, the 10-kilometer cross country challenge, takes runners through twists and turns and up and down hills.

“It is a two-loop race, and we do that in one an an area of the Environmental Center that’s generally grazing pasture most of the year and it’s not open for public use, and we mow a path through it,” Emily Heithaus said. “We try to make it somewhat artistic so that you have good views and interesting turns and angles. Some people have likened it to an M.C. Escher painting. You can be running on top of a hill and look down and see other people running, but you can’t tell whether they’re in front of you or behind you.”

Because the races feature such uncommon aspects, the Mudman Triple attracts people from all over. George Kimball and his AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) team came from Warsaw, Ohio to run in the race this past weekend. I rode past here the other day on the Kokosing Gap Trail,” Kimball said. “I stopped by the garden because I’m really into eating organically and locally … and I heard about [the Mudman Triple], and I thought, ‘That sounds really awesome.’”

Although student participation is currently lower than Emily Heithaus would like, those who have taken part in the race have enjoyed the experience. Lila Greco ‘15, who started training in Sept., ran all three races.

“I think [the steeplechase] was the best out of all the races even though it got really muddy and I wiped out twice. Once was right at the very beginning, so I was pretty muddy much the whole time,” Greco said. She finished as the second female overall in that race. “The Gauntlet was what really surprised me. My shoe almost came off in the mud. There were these huge trenches that you had to leap across, but I just kind of didn’t think about it and went for it.”

These unexpected obstacles become something over which the runners commiserate. “It’s really about having fun,” Emily Heithaus said. “A friendly spirit of competition and just the sense of camaraderie that develops when you and a hundred other people are trying to climb over this mountain of mud that you keep sliding back down. Everybody’s out there to have a good time.”

Although the opportunity to run in the Triple won’t come around for another year, the Heithauses are working together to plan the Earth Day Challenge, which in the past has included both a marathon and a half-marathon and will take place in April.

“We really want to encourage student participation in both the Mudman and the Earth Day Challenge in the spring,” Emily Heithaus said. “That was the rea-son we started these, and we feel that it’s really important for stu-dents to be active. We think that running is a great activity, and especially trail running. It really allows you to step back from the day and think or not think, or whatever you want to do.”

Student Group Lends a Hand to Local Farmers in Need

By ISABEL PONTE

During a presentation at the Harcourt Parish House last Wednesday, Alex Britt ’15 introduced the room to a fictional 35-year-old farmer working in Knox County. He cultivates 100 acres of land, has been doing well for himself for the past 15 years and wants to build a power weeder to reduce his pesticide use and make his operation more sustainable.

Heithaus said. “Everything about the running experience is different in the dark — you can’t see where you’re going and you’re focused on the immediate 10 feet in front of you so that you don’t fall down, but you tend to notice the other sensations.”

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The last race, the 10-kilometer cross country challenge, takes runners through twists and turns and up and down hills.

“It is a two-loop race, and we do that in one an area of the Environmental Center that’s generally grazing pasture most of the year and it’s not open for public use, and we mow a path through it,” Emily Heithaus said. “We try to make it somewhat artistic so that you have good views and interesting turns and angles. Some people have likened it to an M.C. Escher painting. You can be running on top of a hill and look down and see other people running, but you can’t tell whether they’re in front of you or behind you.”

Because the races feature such uncommon aspects, the Mudman Triple attracts people from all over. George Kimball and his AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) team came from Warsaw, Ohio to run in the race this past weekend. I rode past here the other day on the Kokosing Gap Trail,” Kimball said. “I stopped by the garden because I’m really into eating organically and locally … and I heard about [the Mudman Triple], and I thought, ‘That sounds really awesome.’”

Although student participation is currently lower than Emily Heithaus would like, those who have taken part in the race have enjoyed the experience. Lila Greco ‘15, who started training in Sept., ran all three races.

“I think [the steeplechase] was the best out of all the races even though it got really muddy and I wiped out twice. Once was right at the very beginning, so I was pretty muddy much the whole time,” Greco said. She finished as the second female overall in that race. “The Gauntlet was what really surprised me. My shoe almost came off in the mud. There were these huge trenches that you had to leap across, but I just kind of didn’t think about it and went for it.”

These unexpected obstacles become something over which the runners commiserate. “It’s really about having fun,” Emily Heithaus said. “A friendly spirit of competition and just the sense of camaraderie that develops when you and a hundred other people are trying to climb over this mountain of mud that you keep sliding back down. Everybody’s out there to have a good time.”

Although the opportunity to run in the Triple won’t come around for another year, the Heithauses are working together to plan the Earth Day Challenge, which in the past has included both a marathon and a half-marathon and will take place in April.

“We really want to encourage student participation in both the Mudman and the Earth Day Challenge in the spring,” Emily Heithaus said. “That was the reason we started these, and we feel that it’s really important for students to be active. We think that running is a great activity, and especially trail running. It really allows you to step back from the day and think or not think, or whatever you want to do.”

Alex Britt ’15 and Nikhil Imdani ’14, two members of Local Lenders, stand in front of the CES Credit Union, the group’s liaison for clients in search of larger loans.

Small or because they have low or non-existent credit scores.

The group, which has yet to offer its first loan, also plans to offer free business counseling and training to the farmers and entre-preneurs who participate. “We want to act as a stepping stone,” Britt said. Ideally, she explained, clients would build credit within the orga-nization, which would eventually enable them to establish relationships with local banks.

It’s a large task for stu-dents to take on alone, so they will work with several organizations from around Knox County, primarily the Local Food Council and Kenyon’s Rural Life Center. CES Credit Union has agreed to act as a liaison for successful clients look-ing for larger loans. The Mount Vernon Nazarene Enactus Organization, a group that combines entre-preneurship with philan-thropy, is also involved.

“We are a liberal arts school, so we have beautiful ideas,” said Phililise Dube ’13, president and executive director of Local Lenders. “[Mount Vernon Nazarene University] help[s] us take our beautiful ideas and put them into something solid.”

When Marika West ’12, Elizabeth Himlees ’11 and Jeanne Harwood ’11 started Local Lenders in 2009, they spent most of their time finding a lawyer who was willing to work pro bono and laying groundwork for the organization. Although the founders have graduat-ed, the group appears to be gaining momentum in spite of what Nikhil Imdani ’14 calls the “balancing act” required to maintain consis-tency as members graduate and go abroad.

The Local Lenders are not an official student group and receive no funding from the College. According to Dube, “Kenyon didn’t want to be legally associated with a microfi-nance organization because there is some risk involved, and Kenyon did not want to take that risk.” The school’s lack of official involvement hasn’t been a major obsta-clue, however, and the mem-bers agreed that their inde-pendence from the College allows for more flexibility.

As they move forward, the Local Lenders hope more Kenyon students will be come involved.

This summer, Dube appealed to at least 10 different foundations to help fund the organization. Two responded. The financing has been long and compli-cated, but the Lenders’ goal is to make their first loan by the end of next semes-ter. So far, $1,220 of the first $5,000 they need has been raised. The current prospective client, Chris-sie Raymon ’01, who runs the Farm on Kenyon Road, would use the funds to cre-ate storage space for local produce and help residents such as John Marsh, Kenyon’s director of sustainability, could have easier access to fresh food.

“Over the end, it all comes down to a humanitarian cause,” Dube said. “We’re trying to help the community.” Dube said. “This is the way we thought was best.”
By LILI MARTINEZ
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Following the cancellation of Vice President Joe Biden’s Tuesday campaign stop in Gambier, students did not have long to mourn before they received a message from the Office of Public Affairs, “First Lady Michelle Obama will visit Gambier on Saturday for a campaign event in the Kenyon Athletic Center [KAC],” the email said.

Doors will open at 4:00 p.m., according to an email from the Obama campaign. “Initially, we freaked out,” President of the Kenyon Democrats Sarah Marnell ‘13 said. “We called our field organizer and she was like, ‘yeah, she’s coming. I know nothing else.’ We just said, ‘yeah, she’s coming, I like, there’s nothing else.’ We just knew nothing else.”

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Few details have been released about Obama’s appearance other than the place and time of the event.

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The group was ready to respond, and they began to organize for a second time, drawing on resources they already had at hand. “We already have people to ticktes should get new ones who were going to give six or seven hours starting at 8:00 a.m. on a Tuesday to sit in the KAC for a long time. Joe or no Joe, there’s an election to win.”

Watnick and Marnell decided to focus on using the lists of volunteers they had compiled to recruit canvassers for the four days before Election Day. They signed over 100 students up to travel to Columbus on Saturday and Sunday to canvass.

The Public Affairs email announcing Michelle Obama’s campaign event, which was sent at 4:45 p.m. on Tuesday, took the Kenyon Democrats completely by surprise.

“The group was ready to respond, and they began to organize for a second time, drawing on resources they already had close at hand. ‘We already have people to staff the event; they’re the same people who were going to do the Biden event,’” Marnell said. “Now I feel like we’re at the same place we were three days before Biden was coming.”

The Kenyon Democrats plan to distribute tickets to the new event today between 10:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the Bookstore — for anyone who did not get a ticket to see Biden, or who didn’t keep their ticket after the event was canceled. An email sent to members of the media by the Obama campaign said tickets from Biden’s canceled event at the College of Wooster would also be honored at the First Lady’s event at Kenyon on Saturday.

But in an email, the Kenyon Democrats said even those who still have Biden tickets should get new ones “to avoid confusion.”

“We have so many people who want to be involved, who understand how tight this election is going to be, how urgent this is,” Watnick said. “It’s amazing, it’s crazy, and I think I’m going to remember this for the rest of my life.”

Sandy Rains Out Joe and Michelle Steps In
**CANDIDATES**

**NATIONAL**

**Senate**

- **Barack Obama, President**
  - Joe Biden, Vice President

- **Mitt Romney, President**
  - Paul Ryan, Vice President

**House of Representatives**

- **John Booth (D)**
  - **Knox County Commissioner**

- **Thom Collier (R)**
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**State**

Constitutional Convention Question

- Issue 2: According to the Ohio Constitution, every 20 years, voters must be asked “Shall there be a convention to revise, alter, or amend the constitution?” Every election since this question began appearing in 1932, the measure has never been approved. Because there is no specific reason to build a constitutional convention, several newspapers have suggested voting “no” on Issue 2. This state Democratic and Republican parties have not taken a stance on this issue.

Redistricting Amendment

- Issue 2: This constitutional amendment would create a 12-person commission, with four members from each of the two major parties and four not affiliated with either, charged with creating and revising legislative and congressional districts. In short, this proposal is intended to take redistricting power away from the state legislators and give it to the commission in an effort to curb gerrymandering. It is designed to limit parties’ ability to use the redistricting process to their advantage. It is opposed by a number of occupational organizations on the grounds that the commission would be unaccountable and unelected and thus less transparent and less democratic. The Cincinnati Enquirer opposes the amendment, as does the Cleveland Plain Dealer. It is supported by the Democratic Party of Ohio and opposed by the Republican Party of Ohio.

Knox County Board of Health levy

- A replacement of an existing levy and the enactment of a new levy to create a new source of funding for public health services; child, adult and senior citizen services; control of communicable disease; dental health services; musculoskeletal; environmental health; assurance of health education and promotion. The levy would be at a rate not exceeding $.08 for each $100 of valuation, for five years, commencing in 2013 and first due in calendar year 2014.

Knox County Park District levy

- A levy for the purpose of developing and improving parks and trails and to operate, maintain and promote said areas at a rate not exceeding $.05 per $100 of valuation, for five years, commencing in 2013 and first due in calendar year 2014.

Mount Vernon City School District levy

- A levy for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the school district in the sum of $2,500,000 annually and a levy to raise the base inside the $919,000 limitation estimated by the county auditor to amount to $40,472 for each $100 of valuation, for a period of five years, commencing in 2013 and first due in calendar year 2013. After five years, voters would have to vote to renew the levy rate or pass a new one. This marks the district’s third attempt since 2010 to pass a new operating levy. The district has cut high school busing and other programs over the last few years due to lack of funding.

WHERE TO VOTE

Early Voting
- Mount Vernon Service Center
  - 117 E. High Street, Room 251, Mount Vernon, Ohio
  - Nov. 2, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
  - Nov. 4, 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

On Election Day
- Gambier Community Center
  - 115 Meadow Lane, Gambier, Ohio
  - Behind the KAC
  - Nov. 6, 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
  - Office Phone: (740) 427-2671

**LOCAL**

Knox County 9-1-1 levy

- A continuation of a $.025 sales tax to help fund the operation of the 9-1-1 system for five years.

**ISSUES & TAXES**

**CANDIDATES**

Sherrid Brown (D, Incumbent)
- Brown represented Ohio in the House from 1993 to 2007, and has served in the Senate since then. Brown chaired the Senate Agriculture Committee’s Subcommittee on Huger, Nutrition and Family Farms, and the Senate Banking Committee’s subcommittee on Economic Policy. He supports same-sex marriage and voted to repeal Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell. In 2011, National Journal ranked him the 68th most liberal member of Congress. He voted for the Obamacare and President Obama’s stimulus bill in 2009. He has criticized free trade and praised labor activi-ties as a source of significant middle-class growth. He co-authored a bill to declare China a currency manipulator.

Josh Mandel (R)
- Mandel served in the Ohio House from 2007 to 2010 before becoming State Treasurer. While in the House, Mandel intro-duced an initiative to compel Ohio pension funds to cut invest-ment ties to companies that operate in Iran. He voted against bills to legalize medical marijuana, a key prohibition discrimina-tion based on sexual orientation. He has received endorsements from several republican senators including Ohio Rob Portman. He wants to repeal Obamacare. He supports approval of the Keystone pipeline and wants to expand coal production. He has said that the scientific consensus on global warming is “jaded with fraud” and opposed federal clean-air regulations. Mandel is a former Marine who served two tours in Iraq.

Margaret Ann Ruhl (R, Incumbent)
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John Ryerson (D)
- Ryerson served on Gambier’s Village Council from 2001-2007. He is currently an attorney in private practice. Ryerson is a graduate of Kenyon, Northwestern University and the Ohio State University’s Moritz College of Law. Ryerson wants to make the district a center for energy-related businesses. He was defeated by Republican Matt Lachteri in the 2010 general election. If elected, Ryerson says he will reverse the state budget line-by-line to de-termine cuts before seeking to increase taxes on Ohioans.

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- **John Booth (D)**
  - Booth served six years in the Mount Vernon City Coun-cil, including 14 years as Council president. He retired from the Council in 2001. Booth lost bids for County Commissioner in 2004 and 2008. He serves as board chairman of Knox Area Transit and the Salvation Army of Knox County. He declared his priorities would include protecting the water supply, improving county wastewater facil-ities and supporting tourism and village government. He told The Marion Star News, “we can’t print money, and we need to spend what we have wisely.”

- **Thom Collier (R)**
  - Collier has been involved in local election manage-ment for 28 years. Collier served on Mount Vernon’s City Council in 2000. He served as a State Represen-tative from 2000-2008 and was successfully ran for the Republican nomination for Ohio’s 19th State Senate District in 2010. Central issues of the Collier campaign include improving transportation, protecting natural resources and ensuring fiscal responsibility. He is pro-life, pro-business and pro-second amend-ment.

- **Joe Biden, Vice President**
  - Barack Obama, President
We both want people to vote, we both want people to think hard about their decisions. Different causes, same starting point.

Sarah Marnell ’13, President of the Kenyon Democrats

By HENRY BURBANK and SAM COLT
COLLEGIAN STAFF

At a school known for its left-leaning students, the Kenyon College Republicans have taken to hiding in plain sight. Their weekly meetings are held in a small private dining room in Lower Dempsey. You wouldn’t know what the meeting was unless you heard what they were talking about.

Republicans on campus, only about a dozen of whom are official members of the group, often feel uncomfortable expressing their views in public, for fear of being persecuted by their peers, according to Myra Eckenhoff ’13, Co-President of the Kenyon Republicans. So they meet in private. “If we speak up, normally, we have to defend ourselves immediately,” Eckenhoff said.

By contrast, the Kenyon Democrats have had a regular presence in Borden Attrium in Prine all semester, reserving a table on an almost daily basis. Sarah Marnell ’13, the group’s president, has headed the group’s efforts to get students registered to vote.

For the Democrats, this means helping over 800 students register and running bipartisan early voting booths to and from Mount Vernon over the past few weeks. “Once you get someone registered, the chance that they’ll vote will skyrocket,” Marnell said.

Though the Kenyon Democrats and Republicans have opposing views on many issues, Marnell appreciates the open she sees discourse on campus. “We’re both working for what we think is right, equally,” she said. “I’m outspoken about my beliefs when we think is right, equally,” she said. “I’m voting for Romney,” the woman replied. Gabel, validated by her answer, handed her the flyers any way. Seventy-one doors to go.

The next house was around the corner. After glancing at the turn-by-turn directions — also in the book — Gabel walked by a small home in poor shape. Twenty yards down the road he eyed two people leaning over a cat. “We’re not home,” a large man in a black pea coat and jeans shouted at him. Gabel asked him who he’s voting for anyway. “Not telling you,” the man abruptly shouted back.

This was marked in the book as a refusal to answer for safety reasons. As Keane and Gabel marked progress on their books, Keane explained that safety is most important to her. Often, canvassers must trust their intuition. On this day, that meant houses with dogs, as well as houses with trash or debris blocking the front door, would be marked as refusals. By 4:00 p.m., the books were finally finished. Gabel called the other canvassers to see how they were doing. The next order of business was to encourage students to canvass on Nov. 3, the Kenyon Republicans’ final opportunity to get out the vote before Election Day. “Okay, see you at Chipotle,” Gabel said before hanging up the phone.

After weekends filled with canvassing and phone banking, it’s hard for both sides to believe campaigning will end in less than a week. Marnell said not to worry, though. “In the four years that I’ve been here, we never lacked for something to do.”
The Sassiest of Nations: Student Rock-Jazz Group Jams Out

By MILAD MOMENI STAFF WRITER

What happens when you combine eight talented musicians, a witty name and a willingness to just jam out? You get A Sassy Nation, one of Kenyon’s student bands.

Although the group formed at the end of last fall’s first semester, A Sassy Nation has already performed several gigs across campus, including the Alpha Delta Phi benefit at the Village Inn several weeks ago and Epilon Delta Mu’s Shocktoberfest at the Horn Gallery.

Composed of sophomores and juniors, A Sassy Nation combines different types of instruments, ranging from guitar and bass to trumpet and saxophone, to create a full sound.

The process of putting together their individual parts is loosely organized.

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What the group actually decides to perform varies, but it generally stays within the rock-jazz domain, including arrangements of classics by Jimi Hendrix and Bruce Springsteen.

While A Sassy Nation may not be as organized and recognized around campus as more well-known Kenyon ensembles, like a cappella groups, its members — guitarist Jaiyer Leung ‘15, saxophonist Chris Schwarz ‘15, trombonist Ted Meyer ‘15, drummer Alex Urist ‘15, pianist Jason Coef ‘15, vocalist Conor Tazewell ‘15 and guitarist Michael Colonnetta ‘15 — do plan to pass their program down to future Kenyon classes.

A Sassy Nation also likes to have fun during rehearsals and performances.

Last semester, their former drummer, who has since transferred to the University of Pittsburgh, performed dressed up in a full penguin suit.

“It was one of our best gigs and one that we just had a fun time playing,” Kengmana said.

A Sassy Nation performing at Epilon Delta Mu’s “Shocktoberfest” Halloween party in the Horn Gallery.

Kengmana said.

With its solid sense of musicianship and modern vibe, a Sassy Nation is on pace to liven up Kenyon’s music scene.

While its members vary in musical experience, they provide just the right amount of showmanship and musical talent.

Maybe at some point, we’ll see them all in penguin suits on the homepage of Kenyon’s website.
Communication
Vital in Student-Safety Relationship

Last week’s report of inappropriate sexual behavior in Olin Library went largely unnoticed by the student body. So did the incidents of public indecency at the Kenyon Athletic Center (KAC) on Sept. 18 and 19. Only when student athletes received an email about the events did word finally spread.

Campus Safety has worked tirelessly to close these cases and make sure the campus is safe for students, faculty, staff, and residents of Gambier. In addition, they have asked students to be more alert. Still, it is difficult to be cognizant of an issue about which students were never truly informed.

In the case of the KAC, incident reports and safety warnings were relayed only to certain groups of students on campus — student athletes and KAC employees. This left roughly two-thirds of the student body uninformed save through the word of mouth.

Similarly, in the library, an email containing a picture of the alleged suspect was circulated among library workers — including student staff members — but no one else. This was an oversight. All students should have been given the same safety information.

This lack of communication is by no means a one-way street. Both incidents at the KAC, there was approximately a 20-minute lapse between the occurrences and when they were reported. In Olin, Safety was again informed 8-10 minutes after the disturbance and thus was unable to locate the individual.

The student body should be more informed about these and other disturbances. They should be presented with the same information that others are privy to. Safety asks us to be more vigilant. We can be more vigilant — but only if we have the same information that others are privy to. The next president of Kenyon College needs to revise our curriculum with this global context in mind.

In particular, students should not be able to place out of the foreign language requirement because they took several years of a language in high school and placed above the introductory level. Every student should have to take at least one year of a language while at Kenyon. As it stands, a student who studied Latin, for example, can place out of the foreign language requirement and never study a living foreign language. I am not trying to say that studying Latin is somehow inferior to studying modern languages; in fact, I am aware of those who can read the Roman classics in their original states and understand aspects of them that I will never begin to understand. But I think there is a huge difference between Latin (and Ancient Greek) and living, breathing languages.

Studying a living foreign language is the beginning of a journey that is inappropria te to any other learning experience. In a language class, we do not simply learn grammar, vocabulary and conjugation. While that information is indeed crucial, there are so many more complex ideas at work in the mind while studying language. When learning a language, cultural lives and grows around us, working itself deeper into our everyday lives. A French class opens the door to cultures and histories that span continents, oceans and centuries. An Arabic class is the key to such a diversity of cultural wealth that a student could never dream of ever completely grasping it. We can learn about Russia, but how much can we ever hope to understand if we do not study the language?

So, when my friend tells me how relieved she is that she does not have to take any foreign language classes because she placed out, I am truly distressed. Granted, she studied the language for many years before coming to Kenyon and eventually grew tired of it.

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To fulfill all other requirements at Kenyon, one does not just place out of a class and thus out of the requirement. Our policy is to require all students to take at least one year of foreign language. Our education should not focus exclusively on our own cultural traditions and our own civilization, but should train us to look outside of our comfortable little bubbles and learn how to understand — how to utterly love — something different from ourselves.

Our education should not be limited to our own cultural traditions and our own civilization, but should train us to look outside of our comfortable little bubbles and learn how to understand — how to utterly love — something different from ourselves. Studying a language is the only way to achieve this goal, and I hope the College’s next president will encourage Kenyon students to experience this in their pursuit of a complete, liberal arts education.

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Learn From My Mistakes: No Glory Without Gumption

Let your freak flag fly; it may lead to good things, but it will definitely lead to great stories.

By FRANCES SUTTON

This is a story about the triumph of imagination and the idea that in your four years at Kenyon, you should embrace as much ridiculousness as possible. Sure, we all have our limits and all have shame, but that shouldn’t keep us from putting ourselves out there. We have that opportunity now, but then we’ll all be old, celibate, mudgeonly hermits quite an operandi. We should be quite the contrary in a sense.

The summer after sophomore year, I lived in Chicago and worked various odd jobs to subsidize my life as an unpaid intern. So, you just have to write more stuff and put it out into the world, like a human dandilion. Nothing you write is going to be New Yorker-worthy, but sometimes if you shoot for the moon and miss, you just have to write more stuff and put it out into the world, like a human dandelion.

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By MICHAEL BURTEN

Life has a way of asserting certain harsh truths that we’d rather not deal with. Kenyon is a place like many others, but it’s a place where I decided to do it again — till we’re old enough to act like the grandpa in Little Miss Sunshine. Here at Kenyon, we have all these budding writers, but they face an intimidating audience. For my part I will say — screw the haters. Create as much as possible and put it out into the world. It’s basic science, birds and bees, if you want there to be a shared act of smoking is one of the most edgy things that ever happened to me. It isn’t the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me. The shared act of smoking is one of the common interactions, I have given them a cigarette, light it, and — occasionally — start up a conversation. It’s not just the act of smoking itself that gets me, but the fact that it changed me.

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The four-member cast of Brave Potato’s play tackles teen sexuality with musical numbers throughout.

By LAUREN KATZ
STAFF WRITER

Last weekend, Brave Potato addressed the fearlessness of their core audience to their cap of impressive productions.

Written by Stephen Karam and directed by Matt Super ’15, Speech and Debate featured powerful writing, strong acting, clever incorporation of technology into the story, and some song and dance.

The play revolves around three members of a high school speech and debate team. The adolescent characters struggle to deal with their problems, and in the process, they come to terms with their identities.

Speech and Debate deftly combines weighty themes and light humor. Karam’s script takes on serious topics — two male students confront their sexuality and a female teen gets an abortion.

Howie (Kei Helm ’16) came out when he was 10 years old. As a child, he wrote a story about a young boy who travels back to biblical times and is murdered because he’s gay. The anecdote offered insight into how difficult and scary it can be for a young boy to come to terms with his sexuality. There are weighty issues playing out in this show. Still, the script manages to find humor. These are awkward teenagers, after all.

The incorporation of technology into the story, telling, increased the power of the theatrical piece and some song and dance.

The audience to experience the audience deeper into the story. Twice in the play, one of the male characters entered a chat room for gay men. These conversations were projected onto the stage wall. This was an extremely effective directing choice, particularly in the final scene.

When Solomon (Gibson Oakley ’16) entered the chat room, the audience represented a huge step toward accepting his identity. The projection allowed the audience to experience this new character development along with Solomon.

The actors were mostly first-years, but each of them took on their roles with immense professionalism and talent. Helm took a subtle, introverted approach to playing Howie. This muted performance provided an excellent contrast to the brash Diwata (Sarah White ’16). He and made the scenes they shared particularly amusing.

White’s over-the-top portrayal of Diwata was hilarious. At several points, Diwata bullied Howie and Solomon into performing musical numbers as part of the speech and debate team's presentation.

The incorporation of poetry, as well as from his translations of Kabalah, an ancient, mystical branch of Judaism.

Cole reads aloud his translation of a poem entitled “To What Is,” which explores the idea of connecting to the horizontal network of paths with the vertical network of tree branches.

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Late Season Setbacks Spoil Ladies’ Hopes

By MICHAEL BUSE
STAFF WRITER

The Ladies field hockey season came to a disappointing end on Saturday, Oct. 27, with a 1-4 loss to DePauw University ending the team’s already slim chances at a playoff berth.

After beginning the season by winning their first five conference games, the team finished 7-7 within the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) and 8-10 overall. Even so, considering that more than half the Ladies are freshmen, the team has one of the smallest rosters in the conference, this season could be an indicator of bright things to come.

“As a whole I think we did some really great things, being as young as we were and having the numbers we did,” said assistant coach Brenda Sent. “We had to rely on the freshmen and sophomores to give us a boost, and they really stepped up.”

The young team showed their potential this season, pulling out seven wins in the NCAC. But in the past few weeks, things took a turn for the worse and the Ladies finished the season on a 2-8 run.

“I think we were tired. We only had three subs, really. It would have been different if we had rested legs,” said Samantha White ’16, who finished the season on a 2-8 run.

The team also couldn’t catch a break late in the season, losing critical games that at first seemed firmly in their grasp. Most noticeable was the 0-1 loss to last-place Oberlin College, despite outshooting the Yeowomen 37 to 6.

“We had a disappointing finish, but they are anxious for next season’s season to begin. We have high hopes,” said Sent. “We are losing two seniors and we never wanted to see them go, but we are getting two girls back from studying abroad, and we have a good solid foundation now with our younger girls.”

With 12 of 15 players returning for next season, including the Ladies’ top six scorers, and a new class of recruits, next year’s team will likely be seasoned and deep, giving the team much reason for optimism. “I think we are going to make a statement next year,” Sent said.

The Lords advance to NCAC Tournament

By KEVIN PANG
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The men’s soccer team had just one objective for their last game of the regular season at Wittenberg University Saturday: win. That, combined with a loss by either Allegheny College or Hiram College, guaranteed the Lords a spot in the NCAC tournament, which includes the top four teams in the conference.

The Lords did just win — they demolished Wittenberg 4-0, earning a chance to play in the postseason today at Ohio Wesleyan University (OWU), the 19th ranked school in the nation.

The match against Wittenberg was a big game for the Lords because the team had experienced difficulty scoring this season. J.J. Lejcmatic ’13, who finished the regular season at the top of the Lords’ scoring list with seven goals, was an integral player in this game. Other standout players were Andrew Parmelee ’14, Nate Perez ’15 and Ricardo Pereira ’16.

This was the sixth time in the last seven years that the Lords have reached the NCAC tournament. The Lords enter this post-season as the fourth seed with a 9-6-2 overall record and a 4-2-2 conference play.

The OWU Battling Bishops enter as the top seed with a 10 shutouts to his name. Goalie James Parise ’15 entered the season on a 2-8-0 record.

“The team is very confident,” said Amelia Mack ’16, who finished the season on a 2-8 run.

“In order to win,” Parmelee said, “we don’t really need to change much. We’re going to play a different style, but that’s all. We can definitely beat them.”

Luke Guji ’15 added, “We’re going to play a different formation … Also, this time, we’re more focused and we want to win.”

“The team is very confident. We have high morale,” Parmelee said.

The Lords take on the Battling Bishops at OWU tonight at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are free for students who show an ID.

Same Course, Two Stories at Wooster

By ESTEBAN BACHELET
ARTS WRITER

Saturday, Oct. 27 marked the 29th North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) Cross Country Championship race, and for the second time this season, the Lords and Ladies ran the College of Wooster’s hilly L.C. Boles Golf Course.

“At the moment it’s the most important race for them,” said Nat Fox ’16, who finished as the Lords’ quickest runner, earning an all-NCAC honorable mention. As for the elements they would be facing, he said, “A lot of times, when the conditions are bad, it favors the runners with the most guts, the most tenacity, rather than the best fitness, because the mud and the hills are great equalizers and they make it such that the race is more about the runners.”

Fox sped through the hills and mud to 15th place with a time of 27:14:00, less than two minutes slower than the fastest runner overall, Bobby Over of Allegheny College, in a field that included 117 runners. The Lords finished in eighth place out of 10 teams. “I would say we were kind of disappointed with eighth,” Fox said. “That’s the place we go last year. We were really shooting for fifth or sixth. Eighth seemed kind of underwhelming considering how hard we had worked the whole season.”

Sam Cosle ’16 finished as Kenyon’s second fastest runner with a time of 27:30:37 time, Jackson Cobo ’13 (28:13:30), Bryce Ratz ’14 (28:30:40) and Ulises Arbelo ’16 (28:52:50) all rounded out Kenyon’s scoring runs. With Fox and Lagesse in the mix, Kenyon earned a total of 190 points — only 50 points behind fifth-place Case University.

“I think we have a lot of promise; I think it will just keep getting better,” said Scan Smith ’16 who finished behind Arbelo and Neil Campbell ’14 with a time of 29:08:60 as Kenyon’s seventh best finisher. “I’m not happy, but I’m not utterly disappointed. I think we’re moving in the right direction as a team.”

After the men finished their stampede through the soggy course, it was the Ladies’ turn to challenge the rain and mud. In 30 years of conference championships, the Ladies have placed in the top three of their field for 25 of those 30 years. Oberlin, ranked ninth nationally, finished first at Saturday’s championship with 25 points.

As alumni and fellow runners cheered from behind slick cones and marked tape, the Ladies finished comfortably in second place with 67 points. “I think [the Ladies] felt we had a really good chance of falling in second, so they came through. Oberlin is very strong,” assistant coach Sherry Miglin said.

Jenna Willert ’14 spoiled Oberlin’s attempt at taking a top four individual spots by splitting a pair of Yeowomen at fourth place. Willert ran a 23:09:09 time as Kenyon’s quickest Lady, picking up an all-NCAC first-team selection for the second straight year. She was followed in the top 21 by Clara Huiden ’15 (23:42:10), who placed ninth, Natalie Plick ’16 (23:49:30), who placed 11th, and Troy Bruch ’14 (24:21:10), who finished 20th. Hiden and Plick earned all NCAC second team selections while Bruch earned her first all-NCAC honor. To round out the top five, Carolynn Campbell ’16 stopped the clock at 24:34:80, placing 26th.

“We weren’t really running for ourselves, we were running for each other, for the team,” said Samantha White ’16, who finished 69th (26:45:20) in the 100 runner field. “We had a solid team effort,” said Abigail Arac ’16, who finished 43rd (25:11:40) as the Ladies’ seventh fastest. She added, “I felt focused. It’s a bad course to try to let your mind wander. [Head Coach Duane] Gomez was talking about looking at the calves of the people in front of you, so I tried to do that.”

Up next for the Lords and Ladies is the NCAA Regional Championship on Nov. 10 in Anderson, Ind.

Correction

Last week’s article “Old Glory is New Again” misstated two track times. The Lords’ former 400-meter record was 48.48, and the former Noah Winter’s high school personal record was 49.47. The Collegian regrets the error.
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Running back Casey Beaudouin '16 had 36 rushing yards in Saturday's game, a career high for him as a Lord.

January's touchdown provided the game's final points. The offense was able to drive on the Gator defense in the second half, but failed to convert on fourth downs twice. Kenyon's missed opportunities on offense did not prove costly, as the defense held Allegany scoreless in the final three quarters.

The Lords limited the Gators to 103 rushing yards, forcing their opponents to go to the air with an inexperienced quarterback. Defensive back Zach Morrow '14 led the defense with 12 tackles and an interception, while fol- low defensive back Luke Bissinger '13 added a pick of his own.

"They're a pretty one-dimensional team," said linebacked Kolin Sulli-

van '14. "They're all run, ground and pound. That's one of our strong areas and we practiced it all week. We knew it was coming. They did exactly what we thought — [Defensive Coordina-
tor Greg] Jones had us schemed up pretty well."

The seven points given up by the Lords on Saturday mark the lowest total since 2005. They're now 5-3 and 4-1 in North Coast Athletic Con-

steric one. The class of 2013 ended their Kenyon careers with the La-
dies having defeated Denison Uni-

versity for the first time in six years and for the first time ever on the Big Red's home turf. Romaine nabbed her third career NCAC player of the week award as only a sopho-

mores, giving her 614 on the season, good for third in the conference. Hannah Shank

added, "We played at least four top-25 nationally-ranked teams and held our own against each of them, which is not something that all teams can say."

With the strong individual and team performances on display throughout the season, the Ladies are already look-
ing forward to next season, where they expect their hard work this season and upcoming offseason to pay off. "I think that coming in next year, we'll have a re-

ally strong foundation that we can build from there," Scott said. Both the and Shank not-

ed that the team will not be graduating any players, two players will be returning from studies after this and there will be a freely recruited first-year class.

According to Scott, "We have a lot to look forward to, we put a lot of work this season for the long-term success of the team and I think we'll really be able to start seeing the results of that next year."